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I live in a fairly small town in Tennessee. I have witnessed store after store close after the newer, larger Wal-Mart moved in. I do not wish to see this happen to the local banks as well.

And who is to say that WalMart would not deny loans to local businesses and drive their competition even further away? Wal-Mart has a shady history when it comes to the law and when it comes to fairness to its workers. Why should we trust them to be any more law-abiding and fair when it comes to their banking practices?

Banks are vitally important to the stability and the economy of all communities, especially the smaller ones where Wal-Marts thrive. Please do not allow the Bank of Wal-Mart to come to pass. Their dominance of our economy is high enough already.

Thank you for your time.

-Charity Hendrix